

# Honey Production, 2007

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Honey production for 2007 by producers with 5 or more colonies totaled 1,050,000 pounds, down 6 percent from 2006. Honey producers took honey from 25,000 colonies, with an average yield of 42 pounds per colony. Honey stocks on hand as of December 15th were 326,000 pounds, 54 percent less than the previous year.

Honey producers received an average price of \$1.63 per pound for the 2007 crop.



Total value of honey produced in 2007 honey is estimated at 1,712,000 dollars for Pennsylvania production. Pennsylvania is ranked 23rd in the nation for honey production for 2007.

A sample of honey producers were surveyed in December for information on number of colonies, honey production, honey stocks on hand for sale, and prices received for honey sold.

Pennsylvania: Number of Colonies, Yield, Production, Value and Stocks, 1980-2007 <sup>1</sup>

Year	Honey Producing Colonies	Yield Per Colony	Production	Average Price Per Pound <sup>2</sup>	Value of Production <sup>3</sup>	Stocks Dec 15 <sup>4</sup>
	1,000	Pounds	1,000 Lbs.	Cents	1,000 Dols.	1,000 Lbs.
1980	80	41	3,280	70	2,296	1,181
1986 <sup>5</sup>	50	32	1,600	55	880	624
1990	41	28	1,148	67	769	379
1997	22	48	1,056	100	1,056	528
1998	26	66	1,716	80	1,373	789
1999	28	60	1,680	76	1,277	790
2000	25	45	1,125	76	855	630
2001	26	57	1,482	87	1,363	785
2002	29	57	1,653	134	2,215	827
2003	27	50	1,350	144	1,944	419
2004	30	54	1,620	142	2,300	810
2005	28	56	1,568	113	1,772	800
2006	28	40	1,120	161	1,803	605
2007	25	42	1,050	163	1,712	326

<sup>1</sup> For producers with 5 or more colonies. Colonies which produced honey in more than one State were counted in each State. <sup>2</sup> Prices weighed by sales.

<sup>3</sup> Value of production based on final State marketing year average price. <sup>4</sup> Stocks held by producers. <sup>5</sup> Survey discontinued after 1981 and reinstated in 1986.

Pennsylvania and Major States: Number of Colonies, Yield, Production, Value and Stocks, 2007 <sup>1</sup>

State	Honey Producing Colonies	Yield Per Colony	Production	Stocks Dec 15 <sup>2</sup>	Value of Production <sup>3</sup>
	1,000	Pounds	1,000 Pounds		1,000 Dols.
CA	340	40	13,600	3,672	14,144
FL	160	71	11,360	1,363	11,246
GA	60	58	3,480	522	3,967
ID	92	41	3,772	1,848	4,074
MI	72	64	4,608	2,350	5,253
MN	130	68	8,840	2,564	8,752
MT	135	68	9,180	2,203	8,629
NE	45	49	2,205	1,477	2,161
NY	56	57	3,192	1,947	4,533
ND	420	74	31,080	9,013	28,594
OR	44	43	1,892	1,041	2,289
PA	25	42	1,050	326	1,712
<b>SD</b>	<b>255</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>13,260</b>	<b>10,608</b>	<b>12,332</b>
TX	105	82	8,610	<b>1,550</b>	8,180
WA	46	44	2,024	648	2,530
WI	60	84	5,040	3,024	5,796
Oth Sts <sup>4</sup>	18	49	873	271	2,209
<b>U. S. Total</b>	<b>2,442</b>	<b>60.8</b>	<b>148,482</b>	<b>52,484</b>	<b>153,233</b>

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<sup>3</sup> Value of production based on final State marketing year average price. <sup>4</sup> Total colonies multiplied by total yield may not exactly equal production.